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SUBJ: POSSIBLE COUNTERFEIT US CURENCY

- 1. RESERVE BANK OF MALAWI HOLDING \$45,000 IN \$100 DENOMINATION US CURRENCY CONFISCATED BY CUSTOMS FROM SENEGALESE ENTERING MALAWI NOV 10. POLICE HOLDING SUSPECT BUT BANK OFFICIALS UNSURE IF CURRENCY COUNTERFEIT.
- 2. EMBOFF CALLED TO LOOK AT BILLS WHICH INCLUDE FEDERAL RESERVE AND UNITED STATES NOTES AND RANGE IN DATE FROM 1950 TO 1974 WITH VARIOUS SIGNATURES OF APPROPRIATE SECTREASURYS. NO PATTERN OR SEQUENCE TO SERIAL NUMBERS. PAPER OF SEEMINGLY NORMAL STOCK, COLORED THREADS CLEARLY VISIBLE, INK AND FINE ENGRAVING APPEAR AUTHENTIC.
- 3. EMBOFF GAVE OPINION THAT CURRENCY GENUINE. GOVERNOR RESERVE BANK REQUESTED, HOWEVER, THAT APPROPRIATE USG AGENCY BE INFORMED AND ASKED FOR ANY INFORMATION ON POSSIBLE COUNTERFEIT RINGS OPERATING IN AFRICA. BANK ALSO WOULD LIKE ADVISE ON HOW TO MAKE FINAL DETERMINATION OF CURRENCY AUTHENTICITY.
- 4. EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE COMMENTS SOONEST. HOFFMAN

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